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1. Information Disclosure Statement;
2. Form 1449 (2 pages)
3. References (8);
4. Certificate of First Class Mailing; and
5. Return Postcard.

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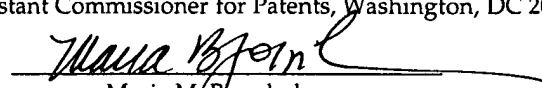
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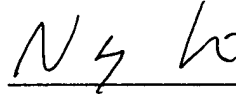
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